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All claims are allowable. However, due to a potential interference, *ex parte* prosecution is SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS from the date of this letter. Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is required so that the application is not abandoned with no extension beyond the shortened statutory period which ended on August 13, 1999. During a telephone conversation conducted on August 18, 1999, Scott Vidas requested an extension of time for ONE MONTH and authorized the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350 the required fee of \$110.00 for this extension.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Paul Prebilic whose telephone number is (703) 308-2905. The examiner normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 6:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mickey Yu, can be reached on (703) 308-2672. The fax phone number for this Technology Center is (703) 305-3580.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center 3700 receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0858.

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